

What can you do to simplify each?

$$\frac{x}{3x+5} \quad \text{NOTHING} \quad = \frac{2x-3}{x+5}$$

$$\frac{4x-6}{2x+10} = \frac{2(2x-3)}{2(x+5)}$$

If instead of $\frac{x}{3x+5}$ you had $\frac{3x+5}{x}$ could you simplify?

divide both terms in the numerator by the denominator.

$$\frac{3x}{x} + \frac{5}{x}$$

$$3 + \frac{5}{x}$$

Two things you do on the calculator that give an error message:

- Divide by Zero
- Square Root a negative #

Solve for Q.

State the restrictions on the variables.

$$AB - QC = W - AB$$

$$-AB$$

$$\frac{-QC}{-C} = \frac{W-AB}{-C}$$

$$Q = \frac{W-AB}{-C}$$

$$C \neq 0$$

Solve this equation for K .

State the restrictions on the variables.

$$G(K+E) - X = D + X$$

+X

$$\frac{G(K+E)}{G} = \frac{D+X}{G}$$

$$\frac{K+E}{-E} = \frac{D+X}{G} - E$$

$$K = \frac{D+X}{G} - E$$

$$G \neq 0$$

Solve this equation for M .

State the restrictions on the variables.

$$\frac{M+H}{R} + Z = J - Z$$

-Z

$$R \left(\frac{M+H}{R} \right) = (J-Z)R$$

$$M+H = (J-Z)R - H$$

$$M = (J-Z)R - H$$

$$R \neq 0$$

Solve this equation for A .

State restrictions on the variables.

$$AC - AE = N$$

Factor out an A from both terms on the left side of the equation!

$$A \cdot (\cancel{C} - \cancel{E}) = \frac{N}{\cancel{C-E}}$$

Then you can divide by (C-E)

$$C-E \neq 0$$

or

$$C \neq E$$

$$A = \frac{N}{C-E}$$

Solve for E. State restrictions on the variables.

$$\frac{P}{E} + Y = D$$

-Y -Y

$$\frac{P}{E} = (D-Y)E$$

$$\frac{P}{D-Y} = \frac{\cancel{D-Y}E}{\cancel{D-Y}}$$

$$E = \frac{P}{D-Y}$$

$$D-Y \neq 0$$

$$E \neq 0$$

Solve this equation for **B**.

State Restrictions on the variables

$$H + X(A + B) = BC$$

$$H + \cancel{AX} + BX = BC$$

$$-BX \quad -BX$$

$$H + AX = BC - BX$$

$$\frac{H - AX = B(C - X)}{C - X}$$

$$\frac{H - AX}{C - X} = B$$

$$C - X \neq 0$$